Almond Custard

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A simple yet unusual custard with almond and apple hints

4 whole eggs

1 tablespoon vanilla, divided use

1 teaspoon almond extract

1 1/4 cups whole milk

1 1/4 cups half and half

6 ounces apple juice, frozen concentrate, thawed

2 tablespoons almonds, sliced, toasted

1 teaspoon cornstarch

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Servings: 6

1. Preheat oven to 300.

2. Combine milk and half and half in saucepan and heat to just below a simmer (do not boil).

3. In a medium-sized bowl whisk together the eggs, 2 teaspoons of the vanilla and the almond extract until blended. Gradually beat in the hot milk mmixture until blended.

4. Pour into a well-greased one quart shallow baking dish (glass or ceramic). Place dish in large shallow pan on a rack in the center of the preheated oven. Pour hot water into the pan, up to about 1/2 inch. Bake for 30-40 minutes or until a knife inserted in center of custard comes out clean. Remove from oven to a rack. Cool, then chill.

5. Meanwhile, heat the apple juice concentrate to a boil and simmer for about 10 minutes to reduce the juice by half. At the end of this time, combine the cornstarch with about a T. of water and add to the juice. Stir until thickened. Stir in remaining teaspoon of vanilla and pour over the custard. Sprinkle the top with the toasted almonds. Serve.

Per Serving (excluding unknown items): 220 Calories; 12g Fat (51.8% calories from fat); 8g Protein; 18g Carbohydrate; trace Dietary Fiber; 167mg Cholesterol; 100mg Sodium. Exchanges: 0 Grain(Starch); 1/2 Lean Meat; 1/2 Fruit; 1/2 Non-Fat Milk; 2 Fat.